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1. ELIMANE KANE (MAURITANIA), NEW DIRECTOR OF ILO
LIAISON OFFICE TO UN IN NEW YORK, PAID COURTESY CALL ON
AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN, FEBRUARY 6. KANE, WHO
CLEARLY IS WELL VERSED ON LABOR MATTERS, SAID THAT HE
UNDERSTOOD US FEELINGS ON THE NEED FOR FREE TRADE UNION
REPRESENTATION IN THE ILO; HE ALSO KNEW WHAT HAD LED TO
THE SUBMISSION OF OUR LETTER OF INTENT. BUT, HE ADDED,
THE U.S. IS NOT ISOLATED AND IT SHOULD PLAY THE SAME ROLE
OF FIGHTING BACK IN THE ILO AS IT HAS PLAYED AT THE UN.
IF THE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION AT THE ILO HAS NOT DONE
SO, IT SHOULD. KANE POINTED OUT THAT THROUGH STRENOUS
BUT DELIBERATELY DOWN-PLAYED EFFORTS, THE PLO HAD BEEN GIVEN
A POSITION IN THE ILO AS ONLY A SECOND CATEGORY OBSERVER: IT HAD
NOT BEEN ACCORDED THE SAME STATUS AS, SAY, THE ICFTU.

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